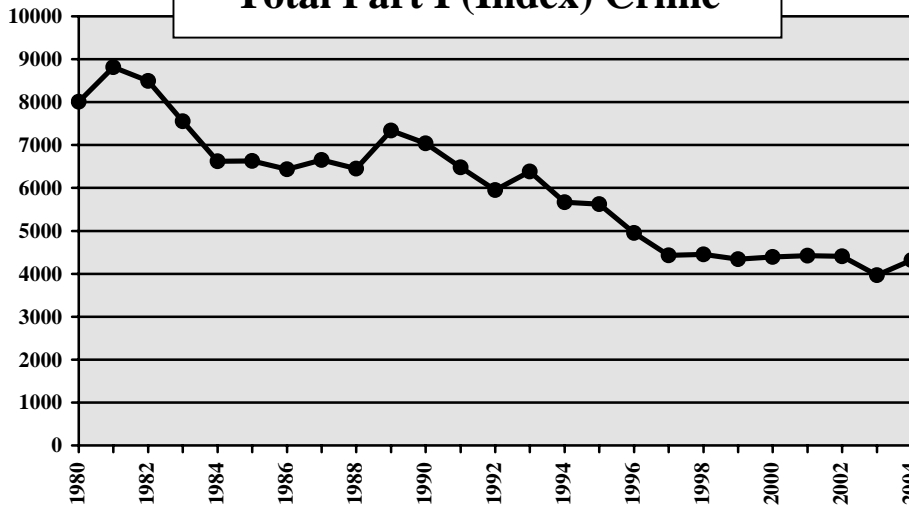


25-YEAR STATISTICAL TRENDS

Total Part I (Index) Crime



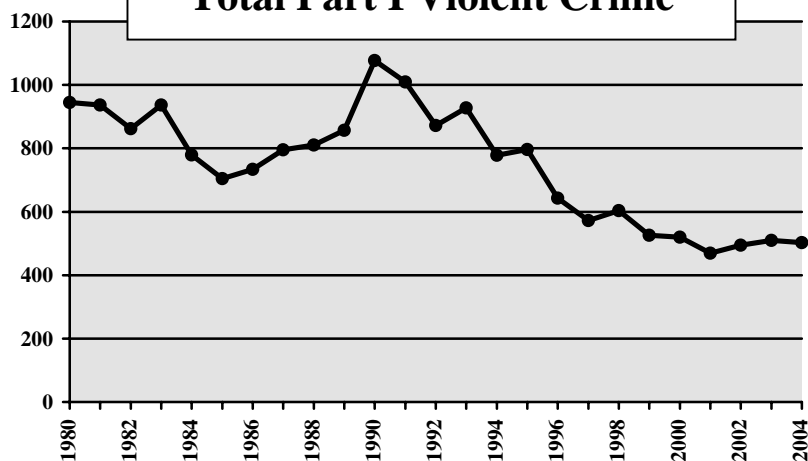
Total Crime

The total crime index has fallen 46% since 1980 and 24% from 1994. Serious crime numbers have been on a steady decline since the late 1970s, with the exception of two spikes at the turn of two decades. These spikes were caused by a sharp increase in property crimes in 1980 and a sharp increase in violent crimes in 1990. The nine percent increase in index crimes in 2004 is attributable to the significant decrease in 2003, but is consistent with the five-year average

Violent Crime

Violent crime totals include totals for the crimes of murder, rape, robbery, and assault. Totals were fairly unsteady in the 1980s. The late years of the decade were marked by a great increase in incidents—reflective of the nation's epidemic of gang and drug violence combined with greater reporting of domestic assaults. Since 1990, violent crime totals have been steadily declining, but have been marked by small spikes every other year. This year's totals indicate a leveling off of these incidents over the past five years.

Total Part I Violent Crime



Total Part I Property Crime



Property Crime

Property crime totals include totals for the crimes of burglary, larceny, and auto theft. Property crime usually accounts for 80-90% of the Part I total, which explains why the graph to the left mirrors the graph at the top so closely. Totals have fallen 46% since 1980 and 22% since 1994. Burglary and auto theft have produced enormous decreases over the past two decades, but larceny (common theft) has remained fairly steady. The 10% increase in property crime in 2004 brings the year-end total closer to the five-year average of 3,785 annual incidents.